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RECOGNITION TO TRADE UNIONS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering amendment to the Trade Union Act, 1926 in order to keep out unions claiming recognition on bogus membership rosters and inflated claims;

(b) whether this exercise would help depoliticalising the unions towards stabilising industrial relations and resultant increase in productivity based on work ethics and social accountability;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether under Sections 25 (O) & (N) necessitating the State`s consent in closing down units with more than 100 workers on payroll, will be done away by this amendment; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) to (c) : The Trade Unions (Amendment) Bill, 2000 has been introduced in the Rajya Sabha on 28.4.2000.

(d) & (e) : Various amendments to the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 are proposed based on the requirements of the social partners and in consonance with economic reforms. The amendment proposals are processed at various stages before being approved by the competent authority.